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Interview Summary	Application No. 09/321,090	Applicant(s) Frank et al.
	Examiner Walter Benson	Art Unit 2858

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Walter Benson

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Date of Interview Sep 18, 2002

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy is given to 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: independent claims 1,4, and 5

Identification of prior art discussed:

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Applicants representative requested that the finality of the case be withdrawn because the reference that was applied on the second action was published after the date of the first action. Examiner stated that substantive changes were made to the claims requiring a new reference based on these changes. Applicant's agent indicated that the changes were not substantive and a petition would follow to remove finality.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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